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My dear Gray,

I have to thank you for various pamphlets and extracts from journals which are very gratifying as showing that you keep to work although I see no signs at present of what we all wait to see from you - a complete North American Flora which we all want so much from you. Amongst other your note of the 20th May - received in August - with Dr Carro's paper on *Myoporum* requiring special mention. We are lamentably deficient in specimens of that genus and when I described the Brazilian one for the *Flora* I did not feel at all confident in my identification but Mr Hauberg has been collecting materials for some time and has been investigating the different species and varieties with great success. I therefore referred the pamphlet to him and he tells me that he had already seen it and had written to Dr Carro on the subject departing from his conclusions

and certainly am not in a position to
question Mr. Hauberg's conclusion that
"the plant described by Pereira and since
his death named by Klotzsch Myopogon
Pereira is in my opinion quite distinct
from M. peruviferum Sims &c. The latter is
a somewhat polymorphous plant with an
extensive range"

We left town in the middle of July
and spent a month in the Channel Islands
which I had never seen and which we much
enjoyed I continued however whilst there
the correction of the prospect of my Flora
Australiensis and returned to town for a
fortnight in August to finish up a few
genera still wanting for the 2^o vol. I have
now just corrected the last sheet and
sent the index to the printer but suppose
it will still be a few weeks before it is
actually out when I will take care to
send you an early copy.

Hippit told me the other day that
you had concluded it was a mistake sending
Botany only as the last part of the Linnean
Society's Journal. The fact is that botanical
matter for the Journal accumulates so
much that we are obliged now and then
to publish it without Zoology. Our Zoological

papers are chiefly such as require illustrations
more suited for the 2^o transactions of
which we shall publish two parts this
next winter. Zoologists read their purely
systematic matter to their own Society.
A part of the Journal is now just out with
both Zoology and Botany.

We are now visiting friends in
Hampshire and shall return to town at the end of the month.
My first business will be to finish
up my portion of the 2^o part of our Flora
for which Hooker has done a good deal
and we hope to print this winter. I
had wished to have completed a double part
before printing so as to finish a volume
with one index but I fear that will be
too long and that we shall be tempted to
issue a part as soon as we come to the
end of the year. I shall have at the same
time to do my share for Flora Australiensis
which will be almost a long and expensive

With kindest remembrance to Mr
Gray believe me Ever your most sincerely
George DeCandolle